

***IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES  
For the Western District of New York***

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**OCTOBER 2023 GRAND JURY  
(Impaneled October 11, 2023)**

**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**-vs-**

**SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT  
24-CR- 06045-EAW-MWP**

**JOHN ENGLER,**  
*(Counts 1-51)*

**ALEC DIERNA**  
*(Counts 1-51)*

**TOMMY LEE COBURN**  
*(Counts 1, 4-9, 51)*

**KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON**  
*(Counts 1, 10-20, 51)*

**NICHOLAS SCARANTINO**  
*(Count 1)*

**HEATHER DIERNA**  
*(Counts 1, 4, 5, 8, 9)*

**Violations:**  
Title 18, United States Code,  
1341, 1349, 1956(h) and 2.  
(51 Counts and 6 Forfeiture  
Allegations)

**SUPERSEDING INDICTMENT**

**The Grand Jury Charges That:**

At all times relevant to this Superseding Indictment:

**INTRODUCTION**

**A. DEFENDANTS AND COCONSPIRATORS**

1. The defendants, JOHN ENGLER (“ENGLER”) and ALEC DIERNA (“ALEC DIERNA”), the architects and ringleaders of the conspiracy and scheme, resided in the Boca Raton area in Florida.

2. The defendants, TOMMY LEE COBURN (“COBURN”) and KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON (“GIBSON”), resided in the Boca Raton, Delray Beach and Pompano Beach areas in Florida.

3. The defendant, NICHOLAS SCARANTINO (“SCARANTINO”), resided in Van Nuys, California.

4. The defendant, HEATHER DIERNA (“HEATHER DIERNA”), resided in the Rochester, New York area.

5. Coconspirators Dylan Paul Costanza, Bryan Lantry, T.H. and S.D. resided in the Fort Lauderdale and Pompano Beach areas in Florida.

## **B. ENTITIES**

### **Engler Entities**

6. On or about January 28, 2019, ENGLER incorporated Office Outlet U.S.A., LLC (“Office Outlet”) in Florida.

7. On or about June 14, 2019, ENGLER incorporated America’s Best Chemicals, LLC (“America’s Best”) in Florida.

8. On or about February 11, 2021, ENGLER incorporated Engler Holdings LLC in Florida.

### **Alec Dierna’s Entities**

9. On or about August 12, 2020, ALEC DIERNA incorporated United Chemicals, LLC (“United Chemicals”) in Florida.

10. On or about February 11, 2021, ALEC DIERNA incorporated Dierna Enterprise LLC in Florida.

**Engler's and Alec Dierna's Entity**

11. On or about April 12, 2021, ENGLER and ALEC DIERNA incorporated Prince Venture Capital LLC in Florida.

**Costanza's Entities**

12. On or about October 20, 2020, Dylan Paul Costanza incorporated Hi-Tech Industrial Company LLC ("Hi- Tech Industrial") in Florida.

13. On or about January 27, 2021, Dylan Paul Costanza incorporated Simple Pro Solutions LLC ("Simple Pro Solutions") in Florida.

14. On or about June 14, 2021, Dylan Paul Costanza incorporated Day Cost Marketing LLC ("Day Cost Marketing) in Florida.

**Coburn's Entities**

15. On or about January 19, 2021, COBURN incorporated North Atlantic Supply Company LLC ("North Atlantic Supply") in New York.

16. On or about June 28, 2021, COBURN incorporated Top Tier Chemicals LLC ("Top Tier Chemicals") in New York.

**Gibson's Entity**

17. On or about February 18, 2021, GIBSON incorporated Nationwide Chemicals LLC ("Nationwide Chemicals") in Florida.

**Scarantino's Entity**

18. On or about June 20, 2021, SCARANTINO incorporated Direct Chemical Solutions LLC ("Direct Chemical") in California.

**T.H.'s Entities**

19. On or about February 26, 2021, T.H. incorporated Easton Chemical Products LLC ("Easton Chemical") in Florida

**Lantry's Entities**

20. On or about May 13, 2021, Bryan Lantry incorporated Safety Supply Center LLC ("Safety Supply") in Florida.

21. On or about September 14, 2021, Bryan Lantry had Union Gloves LLC ("Union Gloves") incorporated in Florida.

22. On or about July 12, 2021, Bryan Lantry incorporated Lantry Enterprise LLC in Florida.

**S.D.'s Entities**

23. On or about August 26, 2021, S.D. incorporated Wholesale Chem Supplies LLC in Florida.

24. On or about August 26, 2021, S.D. incorporated Five Star Warehouse LLC ("Five Star Warehouse") in Florida.

**COUNT 1**  
**(Conspiracy to Commit Mail Fraud)**

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and Count 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

**THE OBJECT OF THE CONSPIRACY**

2. Between in or about August 2020 and in or about July 2022, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA, TOMMY LEE COBURN, KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON, NICHOLAS SCARANTINO and HEATHER DIERNA, did knowingly, willfully, and unlawfully combine, conspire, and agree with others, known and unknown to the Grand Jury, including Dylan Paul Costanza, Bryan Lantry, T.H. and S.D., to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud victim companies throughout the United States, and to obtain money and property from such victim companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, and for the purposes of executing such scheme and artifice to place in any post office and authorized depository for mail matter, matter and things to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service; to deposit, and cause to be deposited, matter and things to be sent and delivered by private and commercial interstate carrier; and to knowingly cause to be delivered by mail and private and commercial interstate carrier according to the direction thereon and at the place at which it was directed to be delivered by the person to whom it was addressed matter and things, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

3. The object of the conspiracy and scheme was to mass mail documents that appeared to be legitimate invoices to many thousands of primarily large companies throughout the United States (collectively, the “Victim Companies” and individually, a

“Victim Company”) to trick and defraud the Victim Companies into paying the fake and fictitious invoices (“fictitious invoices”) under the mistaken belief that the Victim Companies had previously ordered and received the products listed on the fictitious invoices. The names of the following sham companies identified below (collectively, the “Sham Companies”) were used on the fictitious invoices:

- a. Office Outlet - (John Engler)
- b. America’s Best - (John Engler)
- c. United Chemicals - (Alec Dierna)
- d. Hi-Tech Industrial - (Dylan Costanza)
- e. North Atlantic Supply – (Tommy Coburn)
- f. Top Tier Chemicals - (Tommy Coburn)
- g. Nationwide Chemicals - (Kyle Gibson)
- h. Direct Chemical - (Nicholas Scarantino)
- i. Easton Chemical – (T.H.)
- j. Safety Supply - (Bryan Lantry)
- k. Union Gloves - (Bryan Lantry)

## **OVERVIEW OF CONSPIRACY**

### **Defendants/Coconspirators Entry in Conspiracy/Scheme**

4. In or about January 2019, ENGLER began mailing fictitious invoices in the name of Office Outlet from Florida to Victim Companies and continued to do so until in or about August 2019.

5. In or about August 2019, ENGLER then began mailing fictitious invoices in the name of America’s Best from Florida to Victim Companies and continued to do so until in or about August 2020.

6. In or about August 2020, ENGLER recruited ALEC DIERNA to participate in his scheme, which began the conspiracy. Fictitious invoices in the name of ALEC

DIERNA's company, United Chemicals, were mailed from Florida to Victim Companies until in or about April 2021.

7. In or about October 2020, Dylan Paul Costanza joined the conspiracy. Fictitious invoices in the name of Dylan Paul Costanza's company, Hi-Tech Chemical, were mailed from Florida to Victim Companies until in or about February 2021.

8. In or about February 2021, GIBSON joined the conspiracy. Fictitious invoices in the name of his company, Nationwide Chemical, were mailed from Florida to Victim Companies until in or about September 2021.

9. In or about January 2021, COBURN and HEATHER DIERNA joined the conspiracy. Fictitious invoices in the names of COBURN's companies, North Atlantic Supply and Top Tier Chemical, were mailed in bulk from Florida to HEATHER DIERNA in the Rochester, New York area until in or about November 2021. HEATHER DIERNA then mailed the individual fictitious invoices from the Rochester, New York area to Victim Companies.

10. In or about February 2021, T.H. joined the conspiracy. Fictitious invoices in the names of his company, Easton Chemicals, were mailed to Victim Companies until in or about May 2021.

11. In or about July 2021, SCARANTINO joined the conspiracy. Fictitious invoices in name of SCARANTINO's company, Direct Chemicals, were mailed in bulk from Florida to SCARANTINO in California until in or about November 2021. SCARANTINO then mailed the individual fictitious invoices from California to Victim Companies.

12. In or about May 2021, Bryan Lantry joined the conspiracy. Fictitious invoices in the names of his companies, Safety Supply and Union Gloves, were mailed to thousands of Victim Companies until in or about November 2021.

13. In or about August 2021, S.D. joined the conspiracy. His companies, Wholesale Chem Supplies LLC and Five Star Warehouse LLC, were used in an attempt to conceal the fraud after Victim Companies paid the fictitious invoices.

**Large Companies Targeted**

14. The defendants targeted large companies (the Victim Companies) located all over the United States to send fictitious invoices because it was less likely, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic, that such companies' account payable departments would question (a) whether another of the companies' departments had in fact previously ordered and received the products listed on the fictitious invoices, and (b) the relatively small amounts owed on the fictitious invoices. The defendants identified the Victim Companies through the purchase of mailing lists.

**Design of the Fictitious Invoices**

15. While intending that the fictitious invoices look exactly like legitimate invoices, the defendants placed in hard-to-find places statements, usually on the second page, (a) that the documents were merely "solicitations" to order product, and (b) that there was no obligation to pay the amounts listed on the fictitious invoices. Below are examples from of such documents from each of the Sham Companies:



a. North Atlantic Supply**North Atlantic Supply Company**

info@NorthAtlanticSupplyCompany.com  
 250 Mill Street Rochester, NY. 14614  
 (888) 30-NORTH

DATE:  
 I.D. #

3/12/2021  
 NA-21011

TO:



Sarasota FL 34240  
 (941) 488-7374

100620

ITEMIZED ORDER FORM / QUOTE	QTY	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
Concentrated Cleaner and Degreaser	1	\$579.99	\$579.99
Shipping	1	\$58.89	\$58.89
Discount (Code:50OFF2021)	1	(\$50.00)	(\$50.00)
ADD ADDITIONAL ITEMS BELOW THIS LINE			
MARCH SALES TAX			
SUBTOTAL			588.88
TAX			-
TOTAL			\$ 588.88

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CHECKS SHOULD BE MAILED TO CORPORATE OFFICE BELOW

NorthAtlanticSupplyCompany.com

TO: [REDACTED]  
 Sarasota FL 34240

MAILING ADDRESS:  
 North Atlantic Supply Company  
 250 Mill Street  
 Rochester, NY. 14614  
 (888) 30-NORTH

DATE: 3/12/2021  
 ID #: NA-21011  
 ENCLOSED TOTAL:



***b. Nationwide Chemicals*****Nationwide Chemicals**

777 S. Flagler Dr. Suite 800 West Tower  
 West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
 (866) 204-3623  
 NationwideChemicals.com

**ORDER FORM**

DATE: 3/9/2021  
 SALES ID #: REF-10391

**MAIL TO ADDRESS:**

Wolf Creek MT 59648

**SHIP TO ADDRESS:**

Wolf Creek MT 59648  
 (406) [REDACTED]

DATE	SALES ID #	SHIP
3/9/2021	REF-10391	Fed Ex

PRODUCT	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	QUOTED TOTAL
SHOP CLEAN - 1104	MULTI-PURPOSE CONCENTRATE CLEANER AND DEGREASER: CAR WASH / TRUCK WASH / SHOP WASH	4	129.95	519.80
Freight	Standard Shipping	1	58.59	58.59

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 TAX \$ -  
 S & H \$ -  
 TOTAL \$ 578.39

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 Nationwide Chemicals

**Thank You For Your Business!**

Please include your sales I.D. number # on your check/order or detach the portion below.

**Your Company:**

Wolf Creek MT 59648  
 (406) [REDACTED]

**Remittance:**

Nationwide Chemicals  
 777 S. Flagler Dr. Suite 800 West Tower  
 West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
 (866) 204-3623

DATE: 3/9/2021  
 SALES ID #: REF-10391

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**32oz BOTTLE**  
**\$5<sup>99</sup>**

**ROLL**  
**\$2<sup>99</sup>**



c. Safety Supply

DATE	6/30/21
I.D. NUMBER	725704
	For Questions Call 1 (877) 744-9155 or visit us at safetysupplycenter.com

Clarence Center NY 14032

Ship To:

Clarence Center NY 14032

## Itemized Products

Product Code	Description	Quantity	Units	Rate
G2653830	Disposable Gloves, Latex Free, Powder Free, Polyethylene	500	PK	\$ 385.00
G3433923	Safety Glasses, Clear Full Frame	24	EA	\$ 210.50
G1621192	Vented Bump Cap, Yellow, Pinlock, Bell	12	EA	\$ 450.00
G1232939	U-Block Safety Vest Class 2, Yellow/Gm	10	EA	\$ 385.00
G9735404	Uncorded Ear Plugs, Bell Shape 33dB	200	EA	\$ 215.50
DISCOUNT500	FreeShipping FedEx: FREESHIPOVER500	1	SHIP	\$ 0

SUBTOTAL \$ 1,763.00

SHIPPING Free

TAX -

TOTAL \$ 1,763.00

SALES PERSON	REQUISITIONER	SHIPPING VIA
Jason B		United Parcel Service

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3. Express shipping available upon request & additional quoting

PLEASE MAIL CHECKS TO OUR CORPORATE OFFICE BELOW

## Customer Info:

Clarence Center NY 14032

## Payment Information:

Safety Supply Center  
150 E Palmetto Park Rd STE 800  
Boca Raton, FL 33432

## Order ID:

725704  
Date: 6/30/21  
Shipping: UPS Standard  
Total: \$1,763.00

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16. When questioned by any of the Victim Companies or government agencies about the legitimacy of the fictitious invoices, the defendants would falsely claim that the intended purpose of the documents was merely to “solicit” future business from the Victim Companies.

**Victim Companies Tricked into Paying the Fictitious Invoices**

17. As a result of the scheme and conspiracy, from the many thousands of Victim Companies that received fictitious invoices, approximately 5,458 of such Victim Companies were tricked and defrauded into believing that they had received a legitimate invoice for products that they had previously ordered and received from the Sham Companies. Many of such Victim Companies were tricked and defrauded more than once.

18. The approximately 5,458 Victim Companies that were tricked and defrauded into paying the fictitious invoices made a total of 8,613 payments to the Sham Companies. Many of such payments were made by the mailing of checks to the Sham Companies to Florida or Rochester, New York, while in a few cases, the Victim Companies paid the fictitious invoices by electronic payment.

19. Checks from the Victim Companies that were mailed to Rochester, New York were picked up by HEATHER DIERNA and deposited by her into bank accounts in the names of North Atlantic Supply and Top Tier Chemical.

20. The total amount paid by the approximately 5,458 Victim Companies to the Sham Companies was approximately \$8,010,543.50. From this amount, approximately \$4,015,741.03 was transferred to the ringleaders, ENGLER and ALEC DIERNA, or to

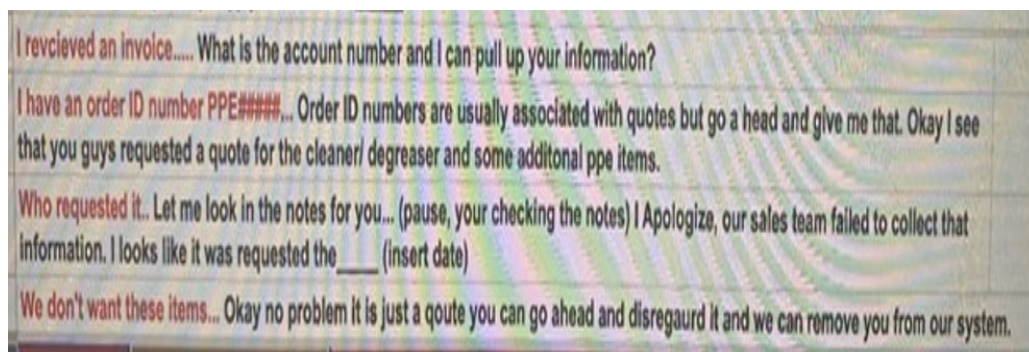
companies owned by them, including, Prince Venture Capital LLC, Engler Holdings LLC, and Dierna Enterprise LLC.

**Victim Companies Not Tricked into Paying The Fictitious Invoices**

21. The defendants set up a call center to handle the thousands of calls and emails that the Sham Companies would receive from Victim Companies who, while not being immediately tricked into paying the fictitious invoices, had questions about why they had received what they believed were invoices (not “solicitations”).

22. At the call center, fictitious employee names from the Sham Companies were used to provide false statements and false explanations to respond to inquiries from Victim Companies or government agencies. For example, Victim Companies who inquired about the fictitious invoices would be told that some unknown employee from the Victim Companies had requested that the Sham Companies provide a quote (or solicitation) for the products, when in fact, the defendants knew that the Victim Companies had never requested a quote.

23. Below is an example of a script used by the defendants or their employees at the call center when the Victim Companies contacted the Sham Companies to inquire about what the Victim Companies believed was an invoice:



I recvieved an invoice.... What is the account number and I can pull up your information?

I have an order ID number PPE####... Order ID numbers are usually associated with quotes but go a head and give me that. Okay I see that you guys requested a quote for the cleaner/ degreaser and some additonal ppe items.

Who requested it.. Let me look in the notes for you... (pause, your checking the notes) I Apologize, our sales team failed to collect that information. I looks like it was requested the \_\_\_\_ (insert date)

We don't want these items... Okay no problem It is just a qoute you can go ahead and disregaurd it and we can remove you from our system.

24. As depicted in the first line of the script, the defendants, who were anticipating that the Victim Companies who were not immediately tricked into paying the fictitious invoices would still believe that what they had received was an “invoice”, would not advise the Victim Companies that the document was only a “solicitation”.

25. As depicted later in the script, even though the defendants knew that the Victim Companies had never requested any products or quotes for such products, the defendants and their employees would respond to the question “*Who requested it*” by falsely stating “*Let me look in the notes for you...(pause your checking the notes) I apologize our sales team failed to collect that information*” and it “*looks like it was requested \_\_\_\_ (insert date)*”.

26. When the Victim Companies requested that the Sham Companies provide an IRS Form W-9 before a payment could be made, the defendants did not advise the Victim Companies that the document they received was not an invoice, and the defendants used fictitious employee names when communicating with the Victim Companies and when signing the Form W-9s. For Example, as depicted below, a victim company emailed Safety Supply stating “I received invoice 759776 in the mail. Could you please send me your W9.” In the response by Safety Supply, the victim company was not corrected nor informed that the mailing was a solicitation and not an invoice.



Re: W9 Request and address changed.



Heather Lapi <ap@safetysupplycenter.com>

To: Jillian Moise



Hello,

Your W-9 request has been processed. Please see attached file.

The address has been updated! Thank you!

Have a great day!

Customer Service  
Safety Supply Center  
150 E Palmetto Park Rd #800  
Boca Raton, FL 33432

On Oct 14, 2021, at 2:37 PM, Jillian Moise <[Jillian\\_Moise@nsmech.com](mailto:Jillian_Moise@nsmech.com)> wrote:

Hello,  
I received invoice 759776 in the mail. Could you please send me your W9 so I can put you in our system?  
Also, you have our wrong address on file. Our updated address is:  
72 Jonspin Rd  
Wilmington MA 01887  
Future invoices can also be emailed to: [ap@nsmech.com](mailto:ap@nsmech.com)  
Thanks!

**Shipping Cheap Product to Cover Up the Fraud**

27. After receiving a payment from the Victim Companies who were tricked into paying the fictitious invoices, the defendants attempted to cover up their fraud by having delivered to such Victim Companies inexpensive products worth substantially less than what the Victim Companies had been charged.

28. For most of the Sham Companies, the Victim Companies usually received one box containing four 1-gallon jugs of cheap and inexpensive cleaner/degreaser solution worth approximately \$20 for which they were charged more than \$560.

29. For Safety Supply and Union Gloves, the Victim Companies received cheap and inexpensive personal protection equipment (“PPE”) products. For example, the Victim Companies would receive a 100-pack of disposable gloves worth approximately \$12 for which they charged the Victim Companies \$390.

30. In addition to attempting to cover up their fraud by delivering cheap cleaner/degreaser or PPE products to the Victim Companies, the defendants made it impossible for the Victim Companies to connect and link the delivery of such products to the Victim Companies prior payment of the fictitious invoices, by doing, among other things, the following:

a. The products were not delivered to the Victim Companies until several weeks or months after the Victim Companies had been tricked into paying the fraudulent invoices. For example, one of the Victim Companies made its payment to Hi-Tech Industrial Chemical on or about December 17, 2020, but the company did not receive the cheap cleaner/degreaser products until on or about March 12, 2021.

b. The products when delivered did not include a copy of the document appearing to be a legitimate invoice nor any other shipping document that would have connected the products to the fictitious invoice which the Victim Companies had paid,

c. The products when delivered did not include any information identifying that the products had been purchased from the Sham Companies.

d. Oftentimes, the only paperwork included with the shipment of cleaner/degreaser products was a sheet of paper indicating the contents were a “sample”, which would cause the Victim Companies to believe that what they received was an unsolicited sample of products that they could purchase in the future and which would result in such Victim Companies not connecting the “sample” products to the fictitious invoices which the Victim Companies had been tricked into paying. Below is an example of a Pick Ticket included with a shipment of cleaner/degreaser products received by a Victim Company which indicates the shipment contains merely “sample product”:

Date: 05/18/21 **Pick Ticket**

**SIMPLE PRO** Order Number 159805 - 304

REF: DE-1831- 2285

Ship To: Brighton Cabinetry

Contact Simple Pro at (877) 871-7628  
to get more information regarding this  
**sample product.**

**PACKING LIST**

Ship Via FedEx Ground Required Date

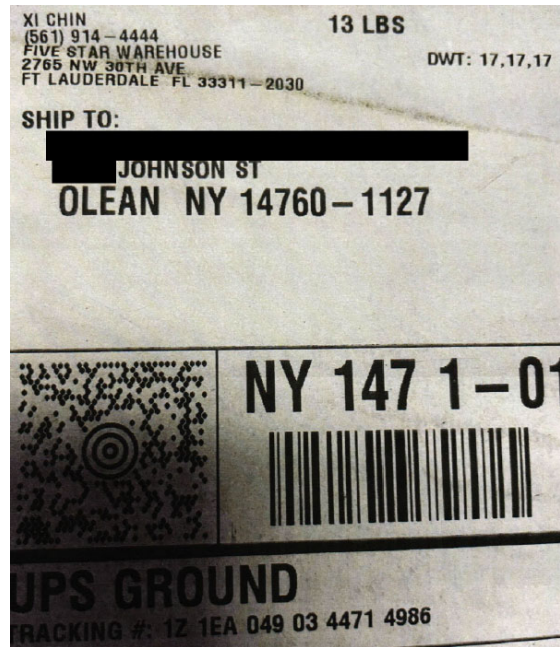
Item Number	Description	U/M	Location	Bin	Quantity Req. Picked
Non-stock	SIMPLE PRO S100 - 5 GAL.		GO 11		1 PAIL ②

Sample

e. The company name on the return address labels when the cleaner/degreaser products were delivered contained the name of companies other than the Sham Companies, that is, either Simple Pro Solutions or Wholesale Chem Supplies. Below are examples of such labels:



f. The PPE products from Safety Supply and Union Gloves when delivered contained fraudulent return address information on the shipping labels that contained (i) a fictitious person's name, "Xi Chin", (ii) a different business name, "Five Star Warehouse", and (iii) made-up phone numbers that belonged to a teenage girl in Florida and a woman in the Rochester, New York area, both of whom received numerous phone calls from various Victim Companies inquiring about the products that the Victim Companies had just received which they believed they had never ordered. Below is an example of such a shipping label with fraudulent return address information:



31. Despite the defendants' contention that the documents they sent to the Victim Companies were not invoices but were merely "solicitations" or "quotes" to find new customers, the defendants, after receiving payments from the Victim Companies, who thus would have responded favorably to the documents if in fact such documents were merely "solicitations" or "quotes", never again attempted to contact the Victim Companies (a) to sell additional products or to develop customer relationships, both of which would have been expected as normal business practices if in fact the Victim Companies had responded favorably to legitimate "solicitations" or "quotes", and (b) because any such contact would have alerted the Victim Companies that they had been previously tricked into paying the fictitious invoices.

**MEANS BY WHICH THE OBJECT OF THE  
CONSPIRACY WAS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED**

The object of the conspiracy was accomplished through the following means and methods:

**Victim Companies Nationwide**

32. Between in or about January 2019, and in or about November 2021, documents that the defendants intended to trick the Victim Companies into believing was a legitimate invoice from the Sham Companies for products that the Victim Companies had previously ordered and received were mailed from Florida and Rochester, New York to many thousands of Victim Companies throughout the United States

33. The Victim Companies that were tricked into paying the fictitious invoices would mail a check to either Florida or Rochester, or in a few cases, make an electric payment.

34. Between in or about the dates set forth below, the approximate number of Victim Companies set forth below (a) received fictitious invoices by mail in the names of the Sham Companies set forth below, and (b) were tricked into making payments to such Sham Companies in the approximate amounts set forth below, by either mailing checks or electronic payments:

<b>SHAM COMPANIES</b>	<b>DATES OF PAYMENT OF FICTITIOUS INVOICES</b>	<b>APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PAYMENTS BY THE APPROXIMATELY 5,458 VICTIM COMPANIES</b>	<b>TOTAL APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS</b>
Office Outlet	01/2019-07/2021	170	\$100,194.90
America's Best	08/2019-09/2020	433	\$254,097.12
United Chemicals	08/2020-04/2021	880	\$524,713.12
Hi-Tech Industrial	11/2020-04/2021	425	\$255,822.78
Nationwide Chemical	02/2021-09/2021	1,145	\$822,583.46
Easton Chemical	04/2021-05/2021	128	\$79,328.86
Direct Chemical	07/2021-11/2021	873	\$861,268.66
North Atlantic Supply	02/2021-09/2021	1,805	\$1,385,442.67
Top Tier Chemicals	07/2021-11/2021	1,265	\$1,257,380.40
Safety Supply	05/2021-04/2022	1,210	\$2,188,462.02
Union Gloves	10/2021-05/2022	279	\$281,249.50
<b><i>TOTAL (approximate)</i></b>		<b><i>8,613</i></b>	<b><i>\$8,010,543.50</i></b>

35. The Victim Companies' payments totaled approximately \$8,010,543.50 were deposited into bank accounts in the names of the Sham Companies. From this amount, approximately \$4,015,741.03 was transferred to bank accounts belonging to ENGLER and ALEC DIERNA, or to their companies, Prince Venture Capital LLC, Engler Holdings LLC, and Dierna Enterprise LLC.



36. After receiving a payment from the Victim Companies, inexpensive cleaner/degreaser or PPE products, worth substantially less than what the Victim Companies had been charged, were delivered and shipped by private commercial carrier to the Victim Companies with no identifying information or documentation connecting such deliveries to the Sham Companies, and with misleading return address information on the shipping labels.

**Victim Companies in Western District of New York**

37. On or about the dates set forth below, the Victim Companies identified below, received by the United States Postal Service to the places set forth below in the Western District of New York, fictitious invoices in the names of the Sham Companies identified below by initials, which caused the Victim Companies to mail checks in the amounts set forth below from the Western District of New York to the Sham Companies on or about the dates set forth below:

VICTIM COMPANY	SHAM COMPANY	DATE INVOICE MAILED	CHECK AMOUNT PAYING INVOICE	PLACES INVOICE MAILED TO	DATE CHECK MAILED FROM WDNY
VC 1	ABC	05/27/2020	\$588.62	Buffalo, NY	6/30/2020
VC 2	NASC	04/02/2021	\$585.78	Henrietta, NY	04/13/2021
VC 3	NASC	04/02/2021	\$585.78	Lakewood, NY	05/10/2021
VC 4	NASC	04/02/2021	\$585.78	Brockport, NY	05/12/2021
VC 5	NWC	04/22/2021	\$588.69	Rochester, NY	05/05/2021
VC 6	NWC	06/10/2021	\$994.66	Avon, NY	07/15/2021
VC 7	NWC	06/10/2021	\$994.66	Tonawanda, NY	07/12/2021
VC 8	NWC	06/24/2021	\$3,970.24	Rochester, NY	07/25/2021
VC 9	NWC	06/03/2021	\$993.76	Niagara Falls, NY	07/15/2021
VC 10	NWC	06/24/2021	\$984.69	Henrietta, NY	08/20/2021
VC 11	SS	06/15/2021	\$1,924.79	Clarence Center, NY	06/22/2021
VC 11	SS	06/30/2021	\$1,763.00	Clarence Center, NY	07/09/2021



<b>VICTIM COMPANY</b>	<b>SHAM COMPANY</b>	<b>DATE INVOICE MAILED</b>	<b>CHECK AMOUNT PAYING INVOICE</b>	<b>PLACES INVOICE MAILED TO</b>	<b>DATE CHECK MAILED FROM WDNY</b>
VC 12	SS	07/14/2021	\$1,877.60	Rochester, NY	07/24/2021
VC 13	SS	07/28/2021	\$1,762.00	West Seneca, NY	08/13/2021
VC 14	SS	08/03/2021	\$1,764.00	Olean, NY	09/02/2021
VC 15	SS	08/03/2021	\$1,764.00	Williamsville, NY	09/08/2021
VC 16	SS	09/01/2021	\$1,778.00	Rochester, NY	09/10/2021
VC 17	SS	09/01/2021	\$1,778.00	LeRoy, NY	10/12/2021
VC 18	SS	09/14/2021	\$1,786.00	Kenmore, NY	11/05/2021
VC 19	SS	09/14/2021	\$1,786.00	Scottsville, NY	11/19/2021
VC 20	SS	09/21/2021	\$1,783.00	Buffalo, NY	10/08/2021
VC 21	SS	09/28/2021	\$1,781.00	Lancaster, NY	09/30/2021
VC 22	SS	10/05/2021	\$1,787.00	Victor, NY	10/18/2021
VC 23	SS	10/12/2021	\$1,789.00	Rochester, NY	11/05/2021
VC 24	SS	10/26/2021	\$ 978.00	Rochester, NY	11/04/2021
VC 25	TTC	08/16/2021	\$993.31	Andover, NY	08/25/2021

38. On or about the dates set forth below, the Victim Companies set forth below, received by the United States Postal Service or private commercial carrier in the town or city set forth below in the Western District of New York, inexpensive cleaner/degreaser or PPE products:

<b>VICTIM COMPANY</b>	<b>DATE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO VICTIM COMPANIES</b>	<b>PLACE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO IN WDNY</b>
VC 3	07/09/2021	Lakewood, NY
VC 4	07/27/2021	Brockport, NY
VC 5	03/01/2022	Henrietta, NY
VC 6	08/13/2021	Avon, NY
VC 7	09/02/2021	Tonawanda, NY
VC 10	10/26/2021	Henrietta, NY
VC 11	08/31/2021	Clarence Center, NY
VC 11	09/01/2021	Clarence Center, NY

<b>VICTIM COMPANY</b>	<b>DATE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO VICTIM COMPANIES</b>	<b>PLACE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO IN WDNY</b>
VC 12	01/12/2022	Rochester, NY
VC 13	08/25/2021	West Seneca, NY
VC 14	10/28/2021	Olean, NY
VC 15	11/11/2021	Williamsville, NY
VC 16	11/09/2021	Rochester, NY
VC 17	12/09/2021	LeRoy, NY
VC 18	01/26/2022	Kenmore, NY
VC 19	12/09/2021	Scottsville, NY
VC 20	01/26/2022	Buffalo, NY
VC 21	01/26/2022	Lancaster, NY
VC 22	12/09/2021	Victor, NY
VC 23	12/15/2021	Rochester, NY
VC 24	12/20/2021	Rochester, NY

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1349.**

**COUNT 2**

**(Mail Fraud)**

***America's Best – Fictitious Invoices Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.
2. On or about May 27, 2020, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER** and **ALEC DIERNA**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud a Victim Company identified as VC 1, and to obtain money and property from VC 1 by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. Between in or about February 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, for the purpose of executing and attempting to execute the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, deposited and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service the following matter: a fictitious invoice for \$588.62 in the name of ALEC DIENRA's company, America's best.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNT 3**

**(Mail Fraud)**

***America's Best – Victim Company Checks Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1, 2 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. On or about May 27, 2020, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER** and **ALEC DIERNA**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud a Victim Company identified as VC 1, and to obtain money and property from VC 1 by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. Between in or about February 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, for the purpose of executing and attempting to execute the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for

mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service, the following matter: a check from the VC 1 in the amount of \$588.62 to ALEC DIERNA's company, America Best.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNT 4**

**(Mail Fraud)**

***North Atlantic Supply – Fictitious Invoices Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about February 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA, TOMMY LEE COBURN** and **HEATHER DIERNA**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. Between in or about February 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, for the purpose of executing and attempting to execute the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, and deposited and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service, the following matter: fictitious invoices in the name of COBURN's company, North Atlantic Supply.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNT 5**  
**(Mail Fraud)**

***North Atlantic Supply – Victim Checks Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1, 4 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about March 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA, TOMMY LEE COBURN** and **HEATHER DIERNA**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud the Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from the Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. Between in or about March 2021, and in or about November 2021, for the purpose of executing, and attempting to execute, the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service, the following matter: checks from the Victim Companies to COBURN's company, North Atlantic Supply.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNTS 6 and 7**  
**(Mail Fraud)**

***North Atlantic Supply – Cheap Product Shipped***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1, 4, 5 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about October 2020, and in or about January 2022, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA** and **TOMMY LEE COBURN**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. On or about the dates set forth below, for the purpose of executing, and attempting to execute, the scheme and artifice, the defendants placed in any post office and authorized depository mail matter to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service; deposited and caused to be deposited to be sent and delivered by private and commercial interstate carrier; and knowingly caused to be delivered by mail and private and commercial interstate carrier according to the direction thereon the following matter: inexpensive cleaner/degreaser products to Victim Companies who made payment to COBURN's company, North Atlantic Supply:

<b>COUNT</b>	<b>VICTIM COMPANY</b>	<b>DATE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO VICTIM COMPANIES</b>	<b>PLACE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO IN WDNY</b>
6	VC 3	07/09/2021	Lakewood, NY
7	VC 4	07/27/2021	Brockport, NY

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2**

**COUNT 8**  
**(Mail Fraud)**

***Top Tier Chemical – Fictitious Invoices Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about February 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA, TOMMY LEE COBURN** and **HEATHER DIERNA**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. Between in or about February 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, for the purpose of executing and attempting to execute the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, and deposited and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service, the following matter: fictitious invoices in the name of COBURN's company, Top Tier Chemical.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNT 9**  
**(Mail Fraud)**

***Top Tier Chemicals - Victim Checks Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1, 8 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about March 2021, and in or about November 2021, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA, TOMMY LEE COBURN** and **HEATHER DIERNA**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud the Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from the Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. Between in or about March 2021, and in or about November 2021, for the purpose of executing, and attempting to execute, the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service, the following matter: checks from the Victim Companies to COBURN's company, Top Tier Chemical.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**



**COUNTS 10 through 16**  
**(Mail Fraud)**

***Nationwide Chemicals – Fictitious Invoices and Victim Checks Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about April 2021, and in or about January 2022, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA** and **KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. On or about the dates set forth below, in the Western District of New York, for the purpose of executing and attempting to execute the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, and deposited and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service, the following matter: fictitious invoices in the name of GIBSON's company, Nationwide Chemicals, and checks from the Victim Companies to Nationwide Chemicals:

COUNT	VICTIM COMPANY	DATE OF INVOICE	AMOUNT INVOICE/CHECK	TOWN/CITY INVOICE MAILED TO	DATE CHECK MAILED FROM WDNY
10	VC 5	04/22/2021	\$588.69	Rochester, NY	05/05/2021
11	VC 6	06/10/2021	\$994.66	Avon, NY	07/15/2021
12	VC 7	06/10/2021	\$994.66	Tonawanda, NY	07/12/2021

COUNT	VICTIM COMPANY	DATE OF INVOICE	AMOUNT INVOICE/CHECK	TOWN/CITY INVOICE MAILED TO	DATE CHECK MAILED FROM WDNV
13	VC 8	06/24/2021	\$1,985.24	Rochester, NY	07/25/2021
14	VC 8	06/24/2021	\$1,985.24	Rochester, NY	NA
15	VC 9	06/03/2021	\$993.76	Niagara Falls, NY	07/15/2021
16	VC 10	06/24/2021	\$984.69	Henrietta, NY	08/20/2021

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNTS 17 through 20**  
**(Mail Fraud)**  
*Nationwide Chemicals – Cheap Products Shipped*

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. he allegations in the Introduction and in Count 1, Counts 10 through 16, and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about October 2020, and in or about March 2022, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendant, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA** and **KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON**, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud the Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from the Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. On or about the dates set forth below, for the purpose of executing, and attempting to execute, the scheme and artifice, the defendants deposited and caused to be deposited, to be sent and delivered by private and commercial interstate carrier; and knowingly caused to be delivered by mail and private and commercial interstate carrier according to the direction thereon, the following matter: inexpensive cleaner/degreaser

products to Victim Companies who made payment to GIBSON's company, Nationwide Chemical:

COUNT	VICTIM COMPANY	DATE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO VICTIM COMPANIES	PLACE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO IN WDNY
17	VC 5	03/01/2022	Henrietta, NY
18	VC 6	08/13/2021	Avon, NY
19	VC 7	09/02/2021	Tonawanda, NY
20	VC 10	10/26/2021	Henrietta, NY

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNTS 21 through 35**

**(Mail Fraud)**

***Safety Supply - Fictitious Invoices and Victim Checks Mailed***

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1 and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about May 2021, and in or about July 2022, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER** and **ALEC DIERNA**, along with Bryan Lantry, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud the Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from the Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. On or about the dates set forth below, in the Western District of New York, for the purpose of executing and attempting to execute the scheme and artifice, the defendants knowingly caused to be delivered by mail according to the direction thereon, and deposited

and caused to be deposited, and placed in an authorized depository for mail, to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service, the following matter: fictitious invoices in the name of Bryan Lantry's company, Safety Supply, and checks from the Victim Companies to Safety Supply:

COUNT	VICTIM COMPANY	DATE INVOICE MAILED AND AMOUNT	TOWN/CITY INVOICE MAILED TO FROM FLORIDA	DATE CHECK MAILED FROM WDNY TO FLORIDA
21	VC 11	06/15/2021 \$1,924.79	Clarence Center, NY	06/22/2021
22	VC 11	06/30/2021 \$1,763.00	Clarence Center, NY	07/09/2021
23	VC 12	07/14/2021 \$1,877.60	Rochester, NY	07/24/2021
24	VC 13	07/28/2021 \$1,762.00	West Seneca, NY	08/13/2021
25	VC 14	08/03/2021 \$1,764.00	Olean, NY	09/02/2021
26	VC 15	08/03/2021 \$1,764.00	Williamsville, NY	09/08/2021
27	VC 16	09/01/2021 \$1,778.00	Rochester, NY	09/10/2021
28	VC 17	09/01/2021 \$1,778.00	LeRoy, NY	10/12/2021
29	VC 18	09/14/2021 \$1,786.00	Kenmore, NY	11/05/2021
30	VC 19	09/14/2021 \$1,786.00	Scottsville, NY	11/19/2021
31	VC 20	09/21/2021 \$1,783.00	Buffalo, NY	10/08/2021
32	VC 21	09/28/2021 \$1,781.00	Lancaster, NY	09/30/2021
33	VC 22	10/05/2021 \$1,787.00	Victor, NY	10/18/2021
34	VC 23	10/12/2021 \$1,789.00	Rochester, NY	11/05/2021
35	VC 24	10/26/2021 \$978.00	Rochester, NY	11/04/2021

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNTS 36 through 50**  
**(Mail Fraud)**  
*Safety Supply – Cheap Product Shipped*

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and in Counts 1, 21 through 35, and 51 are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Between in or about May 2021, and in or about July 2022, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER** and **ALEC DIERNA**, along with Bryan Lantry, did devise, and intend to devise, a scheme and artifice to defraud the Victim Companies, and to obtain money and property from the Victim Companies by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

3. On or about the dates set forth below, the defendants, for the purpose of executing, and attempting to execute, the scheme and artifice, placed in any post office and authorized depository mail matter to be sent and delivered by the Postal Service; deposited and caused to be deposited, to be sent and delivered by private and commercial interstate carrier; and knowingly caused to be delivered by mail and private and commercial interstate carrier according to the direction thereon, the following matter: inexpensive PPE products to Victim Companies who made payment to Bryan Lantry's company, Safety Supply:

<b>COUNT</b>	<b>VICTIM COMPANY</b>	<b>DATE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO VICTIM COMPANIES</b>	<b>PLACE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO IN WDNY</b>
36	VC 11	08/31/2021	Clarence Center, NY
37	VC 11	09/01/2021	Clarence Center, NY
38	VC 12	01/12/2022	Rochester, NY
39	VC 13	08/25/2021	West Seneca, NY

<b>COUNT</b>	<b>VICTIM COMPANY</b>	<b>DATE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO VICTIM COMPANIES</b>	<b>PLACE PRODUCTS MAILED/SHIPPED TO IN WDNY</b>
40	VC 14	10/28/2021	Olean, NY
41	VC 15	11/11/2021	Williamsville, NY
42	VC 16	11/09/2021	Rochester, NY
43	VC 17	12/09/2021	LeRoy, NY
44	VC 18	01/26/2022	Kenmore, NY
45	VC 19	12/09/2021	Scottsville, NY
46	VC 20	01/26/2022	Buffalo, NY
47	VC 21	01/26/2022	Lancaster, NY
48	VC 22	12/09/2021	Victor, NY
49	VC 23	12/15/2021	Rochester, NY
50	VC 24	12/20/2021	Rochester, NY

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 2.**

**COUNT 51**  
**(Conspiracy to Engage in Money Laundering)**

**The Grand Jury Further Charges That:**

1. The allegations in the Introduction and Counts 1 through 50 are incorporated herein by reference.

**THE OBJECT OF THE CONSPIRACY**

2. Between in or about October 2020, and in or about January 2022, in the Western District of New York, and elsewhere, the defendants, **JOHN ENGLER, ALEC DIERNA, TOMMY LEE COBURN** and **KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON**, did

knowingly, willfully and unlawfully combine, conspire and agree together and with each other, and with other persons both known and unknown to the Grand Jury:

(a) to knowingly engage in monetary transactions, affecting interstate commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, that is, the deposit, withdrawal, transfer and exchange of funds and monetary instruments by, through and to financial institutions engaged in and the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, such property having been derived from specified unlawful activity, that is, mail fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341, and knowing that the funds and monetary instruments involved in the transactions constituted, and were derived from, proceeds obtained from a criminal offense, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1957 and 2; and

(b) to knowingly conduct financial transactions affecting interstate commerce, that is, the deposit, withdrawal, transfer and exchange of funds and monetary instruments by, through and to financial institutions engaged in and the activities of which affected interstate and foreign commerce, which represented the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, that is, mail fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341, with (i) the intent to promote the carrying on of specified unlawful activity, and (ii) knowing that the transactions were designed in whole or in part to conceal and disguise the nature, the location, the source, the ownership and the control of the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, and that while conducting such financial transactions knew that the property involved in the financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(A)(i), 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2.

**MEANS BY WHICH THE OBJECT OF THE  
CONSPIRACY WAS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED**

The object of the conspiracy was accomplished through the following means and methods:

3. Between in or about the dates set forth below, the approximate number of Victim Companies set forth below (a) received fictitious invoices by mail in the names of the Sham Companies set forth below, and (b) made payments to such Sham Companies in the approximate amounts set forth below, by either mailing and delivering checks or electronic payments, which payments funds were deposited into bank accounts and which represented criminally derived property and proceeds of specified unlawful activity:

<b>SHAM COMPANIES</b>	<b>DATES OF PAYMENT OF FICTITIOUS INVOICES</b>	<b>APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PAYMENTS BY THE APPROXIMATELY 5,458 VICTIM COMPANIES</b>	<b>TOTAL APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS</b>
Office Outlet	01/2019-07/2021	170	\$100,194.90
America's Best	08/2019-09/2020	433	\$254,097.12
United Chemicals	08/2020-04/2021	880	\$524,713.12
Hi-Tech Industrial	11/2020-04/2021	425	\$255,822.78
Nationwide Chemical	02/2021-09/2021	1,145	\$822,583.46
Easton Chemical	04/2021-05/2021	128	\$79,328.86



SHAM COMPANIES	DATES OF PAYMENT OF FICTITIOUS INVOICES	APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PAYMENTS BY THE APPROXIMATELY 5,458 VICTIM COMPANIES	TOTAL APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF PAYMENTS
Direct Chemical	07/2021-11/2021	873	\$861,268.66
North Atlantic Supply	02/2021-09/2021	1,805	\$1,385,442.67
Top Tier Chemicals	07/2021-11/2021	1,265	\$1,257,380.40
Safety Supply	05/2021-04/2022	1,210	\$2,188,462.02
Union Gloves	10/2021-05/2022	279	\$281,249.50
<b><i>TOTAL (Approximate)</i></b>		<b><i>8,613</i></b>	<b><i>\$8,010,543.50</i></b>

4. Between in or about November 2020, and in or about November 2021, funds that had been deposited into bank accounts in the names of the Sham Companies, which represented criminally derived property and proceeds of specified unlawful activity, were withdrawn and transferred from such bank accounts in amounts greater than \$10,000.

5. Between in or about November 2020, and in or about November 2021, funds that had been deposited into bank accounts in the names of the Sham Companies, which represented proceeds from specified unlawful activity, were withdrawn to promote the carrying on of mail fraud, and to disguise the nature, the location, the source, the ownership and the control of the proceeds of the mail fraud.

#### **ACTS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE CONSPIRACY**

6. On or about the dates set forth below, the defendants and their coconspirators caused monetary transactions involving criminally derived property with a value greater than

\$10,000, that is, the withdrawal and transfer of funds in the approximate amounts set forth below from bank accounts in the names of the Sham Companies and other entities identified below by initials, to the bank accounts in the name of the defendants and other entities identified by initials:

DATE	COMPANY FUNDS FROM	COMPANY FUNDS TO	AMOUNT
03/17/2021	NASC	SPS	\$ 17,500
03/17/2021	NWC	SPS	\$32,500
03/18/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$25,000
03/18/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$25,000
03/25/2021	NASC	SPS	\$25,000
03/25/2021	NWC	SPS	\$25,000
03/25/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$15,000
03/25/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$15,000
03/25/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$15,000
04/05/2021	NASC	SPS	\$13,000
04/05/2021	NWC	SPS	\$30,000
04/05/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$16,000
04/05/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$16,000
04/09/2021	NASC	SPS	\$25,000
04/09/2021	NWC	SPS	\$25,000
04/09/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$15,000
04/09/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$15,000
04/16/2021	NASC	SPS	\$25,000
04/16/2021	NWC	SPS	\$40,000
04/16/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$22,000

DATE	COMPANY FUNDS FROM	COMPANY FUNDS TO	AMOUNT
04/16/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$22,000
04/16/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$11,000
04/21/2021	NASC	SPS	\$35,000
04/22/2021	NWC	SPS	\$28,500
04/22/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$24,000
04/22/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$22,000
04/22/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$12,000
04/30/2021	NASC	SPS	\$40,000
04/30/2021	NWC	SPS	\$40,000
04/30/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$36,800
04/30/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$36,800
04/30/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$18,400
05/06/2021	NASC	SPS	\$60,000
05/07/2021	NWC	SPS	\$23,000
05/07/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$30,000
05/07/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$30,000
05/07/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$15,000
05/13/2021	NASC	SPS	\$50,000
05/13/2021	NWC	SPS	\$22,000
05/13/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$25,000
05/13/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$25,000
05/13/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$12,500
05/21/2021	NASC	SPS	\$50,000
05/21/2021	NWC	SPS	\$25,000

DATE	COMPANY FUNDS FROM	COMPANY FUNDS TO	AMOUNT
05/21/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$26,280
05/21/2021	SPS	E.H.	\$26,280
05/21/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$13,140
05/26/2021	NASC	SPS	\$55,000
05/26/2021	SPS	PVC	\$47,200
05/26/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$13,500
05/27/2021	NWC	SPS	\$11,500
06/02/2021	NASC	SPS	\$35,000
06/02/2021	SPS	D.E.	\$31,000
06/10/2021	NASC	SPS	\$25,000
06/10/2021	SPS	PVC	\$22,500
06/18/2021	NWC	SPS	\$20,000
06/18/2021	NASC	SPS	\$30,000
06/18/2021	SPS	PVC	\$46,000
06/25/2021	NWC	SPS	\$64,000
06/25/2021	NASC	SPS	\$20,000
06/25/2021	SPS	PVC	\$56,800
06/25/2021	SPS	Costanza	\$14,200
07/02/2021	NASC	SPS	\$20,000
07/02/2021	NASC	SPS	\$20,000
07/02/2021	SPS	PVC	\$46,000
07/09/2021	NASC	SPS	\$20,000

DATE	COMPANY FUNDS FROM	COMPANY FUNDS TO	AMOUNT
07/09/2021	NASC	SPS	\$12,000
07/09/2021	NASC	SPS	\$20,000
07/09/2021	NWC	SPS	\$40,000
07/09/2021	SPS	PVC	\$93,000
07/23/2021	NASC	SPS	\$65,000
07/23/2021	NWC	SPS	\$25,000
07/23/2021	SPS	PVC	\$80,000
07/30/2021	NASC	SPS	\$57,800
07/30/2021	SPS	PVC	\$50,000
08/06/2021	TTC	SPS	\$11,500
08/06/2021	SPS	PVC	\$45,000
08/13/2021	NWC	SPS	\$11,500
08/13/2021	TTC	SPS	\$12,500
08/13/2021	SPS	PVC	\$39,000
08/25/2021	TTC	PVC	\$45,000
08/25/2021	NASC	PVC	\$20,000
09/02/2021	TTC	SPS	\$32,684.85
09/02/2021	SPS	DCM	\$14,000
09/17/2021	TTC	SPS	\$60,280.15
09/17/2021	SPS	PVC	\$33,804
09/17/2021	SPS	DCM	\$12,000
09/24/2021	TTC	SPS	\$21,436.65

DATE	COMPANY FUNDS FROM	COMPANY FUNDS TO	AMOUNT
09/27/2021	SPS	DCM	\$12,000
09/30/2021	SPS	DCM	\$12,000
09/28/2021	TTC	WCS	\$81,224.64
10/04/2021	TTC	SPS	\$17,187.30
10/08/2021	SPS	DCM	\$11,800
10/08/2021	TTC	WCS	\$133,219.71
10/15/2021	TTC	WCS	\$80,250.99
10/22/2021	TTC	WCS	\$73,600.73
10/27/2021	TTC	WCS	\$74,167.84
11/04/2021	TTC	WCS	\$80,255.43
11/05/2021	TTC	Coburn	\$11,000
11/12/2021	TTC	WCS	\$72,361.89
08/27/2021	SS	LE	\$10,700
09/16/2021	SS	LE	\$10,645
09/30/2021	SS	LE	\$11,000
09/30/2021	SS	LE	\$34,000
10/08/2021	SS	LE	\$11,200
10/14/2021	SS	LE	\$40,000
10/26/2021	SS	LE	\$10,800
11/01/2021	SS	LE	\$30,000
10/26/2021	SS	FSW	\$45,000
11/05/2021	SS	FSW	\$100,192.45
11/05/2021	SS	FSW	\$80,326.11

DATE	COMPANY FUNDS FROM	COMPANY FUNDS TO	AMOUNT
11/12/2021	SS	FSW	\$45,215.05
12/10/2021	SS	FSW	\$30,000

7. Between in or about May 2021, and in or about July 2022, for purposes of promoting the carrying on of the specified unlawful activity, that is, mail fraud, the defendants caused financial transactions with proceeds from the mail fraud, that is, the withdrawal of approximately \$196,595.73 from bank accounts belonging to the Sham Companies to pay the United States Postal Service for stamps required to mail out fraudulent documents appearing to be legitimate invoices to the Victim Companies.

8. Between in or about May 2021, and in or about July 2022, for purposes of promoting the carrying on of specified unlawful activity, that is, mail fraud, the defendants caused financial transactions with proceeds from the mail fraud, that is, the withdrawal and transfer of approximately \$239,973.03 from bank accounts belonging to Simple Pro Solutions to pay Federal Express to ship the cheap cleaner/degreaser products to the Victim Companies.

9. Between in or about May 2021, and in or about July 2022, for purposes of promoting the carrying on of specified unlawful activity, caused financial transactions with proceeds of specified unlawful activity, that is, the withdrawal of approximately \$114,070.52 from bank accounts belonging to Safety Supply, Union Gloves, Five Star Warehouse, and Wholesale Chem Supplies LLC to pay United Parcel Service to ship the cheap PPE products to the Victim Companies.



10. Between in or about May 2021, and in or about July 2022, for purposes of disguising the nature, the location, the source, the ownership and the control of the proceeds of the mail fraud, the defendants caused financial transactions with proceeds from the mail fraud, that is, the withdrawal and transfer of approximately \$2,213,709.86 from bank accounts belonging to the Simple Pro Solutions and Wholesale Chem Supplies to bank accounts belonging to belonging to ENGLER and ALEC DIERNA, or to their companies, Prince Venture Capital LLC, Engler Holdings LLC, and Dierna Enterprise LLC.

**All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(h).**

**FIRST FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**  
**(Proceeds Forfeiture)**

**The Grand Jury Alleges That:**

Upon conviction of any and all of the offenses set forth in Counts 1 through 50 of this Superseding Indictment, the defendant, JOHN ENGLER, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, proceeds the defendant obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following:

**A. MONETARY SUM**

The approximate sum of \$1,999,000.09 United States currency, which sum of money is equal to the total amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offenses for which the defendant, JOHN ENGLER, is charged in Counts 1 through 50. In the event that the above

sum is not available, then a money judgment for the same amount will be entered against the defendant.

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- i. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- ii. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- iii. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- iv. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- v. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).

**B. REAL PROPERTY**

- i. The Premises and Real Property with all Buildings, Appurtenances, and Improvements, located at 5283 Park Place Circle, Boca Raton, Florida, 33486, that is, all that tract or parcel of land, situated in the City of Boca Raton, County of Palm Beach, and State of Florida, and more particularly described in a certain Deed Recorded in Palm Beach County Clerk's Office Book 31307, Page 94.

**All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).**

**SECOND FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**  
**(Proceeds Forfeiture)**

**The Grand Jury Further Alleges That:**

Upon conviction of any and all of the offenses set forth in Counts 1 through 50 of this Superseding Indictment, the defendant, ALEC DIERNA, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, proceeds the defendant obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following:

**A. MONETARY SUM**

The approximate sum of \$2,085,761.53 United States currency, which sum of money is equal to the total amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offenses for which the defendant, ALEC DIERNA, is charged in Counts 1 through 50. In the event that the above sum is not available, then a money judgment for the same amount will be entered against the defendant.

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- i. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- ii. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- iii. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- iv. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- v. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).

**B. REAL PROPERTY**

- i. The Premises and Real Property with Buildings, Appurtenances, and Improvements at 5091 County Line Rd, Webster, New York, that is, all that tract or parcel of land, situated in the City of Webster, County of Wayne, State of New York, and More Particularly Described in a Certain Deed Recorded in the Wayne County Clerk's Office with an Instrument Number of R9183729.

**All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).**

**THIRD FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**  
**(Proceeds Forfeiture)**

**The Grand Jury Further Alleges That:**

Upon conviction of any and all of the offenses set forth in Counts 1, and 4 through 9 of this Superseding Indictment, the defendant, TOMMY LEE COBURN, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, proceeds the defendant obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following:

**MONETARY SUM**

The approximate sum of \$239,646.20 United States currency, which sum of money is equal to the total amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offenses for which the

defendant, TOMMY LEE COBURN, is charged in Counts 1, 4 through 9. In the event that the above sum is not available, then a money judgment for the same amount will be entered against the defendant.

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- i. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- ii. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- iii. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- iv. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- v. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).

**All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).**

**FOURTH FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**  
**(Proceeds Forfeiture)**

**The Grand Jury Further Alleges That:**

Upon conviction of any and all of the offenses set forth in Counts 1, and 10 through 20 of this Superseding Indictment, the defendant, KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C),

and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, proceeds the defendant obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following:

**MONETARY SUM**

The approximate sum of \$108,899.20 United States currency, which sum of money is equal to the total amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offenses for which the defendant, KYLE PAUL EDWARD GIBSON, is charged in Counts 1, and 10 through 20. In the event that the above sum is not available, then a money judgment for the same amount will be entered against the defendant.

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- i. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- ii. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- iii. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- iv. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- v. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).

**All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).**

**FIFTH FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**

**(Proceeds Forfeiture)**

**The Grand Jury Further Alleges That:**

Upon conviction of the offense set forth in Count 1 of this Superseding Indictment, the defendant, NICHOLAS SCARANTINO, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, proceeds the defendant obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following:

**MONETARY SUM**

The approximate sum of \$75,484.00 United States currency, which sum of money is equal to the total amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offense for which the defendant, NICHOLAS SCARANTINO is charged in Count 1. In the event that the above sum is not available, then a money judgment for the same amount will be entered against the defendant.

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- i. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- ii. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- iii. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- iv. has been substantially diminished in value; or



- v. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).

**All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).**

**SIXTH FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**  
**(Proceeds Forfeiture)**

**The Grand Jury Further Alleges That:**

Upon conviction of any and all of the offenses set forth in Counts 1, 5, 6, 8 and 9 of this Superseding Indictment, the defendant, HEATHER DIERNA, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, constituting, or derived from, proceeds the defendant obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following:

**MONETARY SUM**

The approximate sum of \$43,385.83 United States currency, which sum of money is equal to the total amount of proceeds obtained as a result of the offenses for which the defendant, HEATHER DIERNA, is charged in Counts 1, 5, 6, 8 and 9 In the event that the above sum is not available, then a money judgment for the same amount will be entered against the defendant.

If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- i. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- ii. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third person;
- iii. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- iv. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- v. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).

**All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p).**

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